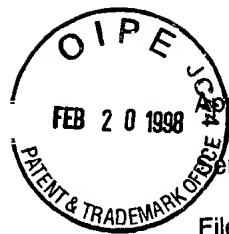


#3

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicants: Billing-Medel *et al.*

Serial No.: 08/962,094

Filed: October 31, 1997

Title: REAGENTS AND METHODS  
USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF  
THE BREAST

Case No.: 5995.US.P1

Examiner:

Group Art Unit: 1815

Certificate of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
BOX MISSING PARTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date of Deposit: February 17, 1998

*Mariette J. Finn* *February 17, 1998*  
Mariette J. Finn Date

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR A UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
**Box Missing Parts**  
Washington, D.C. 20231

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am an original and first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE BREAST the specification which has been given U.S. Serial No. 08/962,094, and accorded the filing date of October 31, 1997.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-mentioned specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge a duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

Claim to benefit of foreign application(s):

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119 for the following foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate:

NONE

The following foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate have a filing date earlier than the filing date of the application(s) identified above:

NONE

Claim to benefit of earlier U.S. application(s):

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of the following earlier-filed United States patent application(s):

U.S. Application Serial No. 08/742,067, filed October 31, 1996

Insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this/these application(s) is not disclosed in the prior U.S. applications in the manner required by 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, I acknowledge a duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. which came into existence between the filing date(s) of the prior applications and the national or PCT filing date of this application.

I hereby appoint the following Attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and any continuation or divisional applications based hereon, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

Mona Anand, Reg. No. 34,537  
Regina M. Anderson, Reg. No. 35,820  
Mark C. Bach, Reg. No. 34,766  
Cheryl L. Becker, Reg. No. 35,441  
Thomas D. Brainard, Reg. No. 32,459  
Dianne Casuto, Reg. 40,943  
Steven R. Crowley, Reg. No. 31,604  
Andreas M. Danckers, Reg. No. 32,652  
Michael J. Dixon, Reg. No. 32,410  
Matthew R. Hooper, Reg. No. 31,108  
Roberta L. Robins, Reg. No. 33,208  
Thomas P. McCracken, Reg. No. 38,548

James D. McNeil, Reg. No. 26,204  
Neal D. Marcus, Reg. 35,267  
Lawrence S. Pope, Reg. No. 26,791  
Priscilla E. Porembski, Reg. No. 33,207  
Nicholas A. Poulos, Reg. No. 30,209  
Gregory W. Steele, Reg. No. 33,796  
Michael J. Ward, Reg. No. 37,960  
David L. Weinstein, Reg. No. 28,128  
Steven F. Weinstock, Reg. No. 30,117  
Brian R. Woodworth, Reg. No. 33,137  
Frank Z. Yang, Reg. No. 35,417  
Paul D. Yasger, Reg. No. 37,477

Send Correspondence to:

Steven F. Weinstock  
Abbott Laboratories  
D-377/AP6D  
100 Abbott Park Road  
Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-3500

Direct telephone calls to:

Cheryl L. Becker  
(847)935-1729

Name: Patricia A. BILLING-MEDEL  
Post Office Address: 1427 Sherwood Court, Gurnee, IL 60031  
Residence: Gurnee, IL 60031  
Citizenship: US

Name: Maurice COHEN  
Post Office Address: 2026 Deerfield Road, Highland Park, IL 60035  
Residence: Highland Park, IL 60035  
Citizenship: US

Name: Tracey L. COLPITTS  
Post Office Address: 34365 North Circle Drive, Round Lake, IL 60073  
Residence: Round Lake, IL 60073  
Citizenship: Canada

Name: Paula N. FRIEDMAN  
Post Office Address: 462 Cumnor Court, Deerfield, IL 60015  
Residence: Deerfield, IL 60015  
Citizenship: US

Name: Julian GORDON  
Post Office Address: 307 East Sheridan Road, Lake Bluff, IL 60044  
Residence: Lake Bluff, IL 60044  
Citizenship: US

Name: Edward N. GRANADOS  
Post Office Address: 19 Montgomery Lane, Vernon Hills, IL 60061  
Residence: Vernon Hills, IL 60061  
Citizenship: US

Name: Steven C. HODGES  
Post Office Address: 169 Stonegate Road, Buffalo Grove, IL 60089  
Residence: Buffalo Grove, IL 60089  
Citizenship: US

Name: Michael R. KLASS  
Post Office Address: 1606 Mulberry Drive, Libertyville, IL 60048  
Residence: Libertyville, IL 60048  
Citizenship: US

Name: Jon D. KRATOCHVIL  
Post Office Address: 7101 Fifth Avenue, Kenosha, WI 53143  
Residence: Kenosha, WI 53143  
Citizenship: US

Name: Lisa ROBERTS-RAPP  
Post Office Address: 2090 Westfield Drive, Gurnee, IL 60031  
Residence: Gurnee, IL 60031  
Citizenship: US

Name: John C. RUSSELL  
Post Office Address: 8275 64th Court, Kenosha, WI 53142  
Residence: Kenosha, WI 53142  
Citizenship: US

*phx 2/10/98*  
Name: Steven D. STROUPE  
Post Office Address: 945 Wilshire Drive, Libertyville, IL 60048  
Residence: Libertyville, IL 60048  
Citizenship: US

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that all statements made herein were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the

United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

*Patricia A. Billing-Medel* 1/29/98  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Patricia A. BILLING-MEDEL Date

*Maurice Cohen* 1/29/98  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Maurice COHEN Date

*Tracey L. Colpitts* 1/30/98  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Tracey L. COLPITTS Date

*Paula N. Friedman* 2/3/98  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Paula N. FRIEDMAN Date

*Julian Gordon* 1/28/98  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Julian GORDON Date

Edward N. Granados 1/28/98  
Edward N. GRANADOS Date

Steven C. Hodges 2/6/98  
Steven C. HODGES Date

Michael R. Klass 2/12/98  
Michael R. KLASS Date

Jon D. Kratochvil 1/29/98  
Jon D. KRATOCHVIL Date

Lisa Roberts-Rapp 2/3/98  
Lisa ROBERTS-RAPP Date

John C. Russell 1/28/98  
John C. RUSSELL Date

Stephen D. Stroupe 2/10/98  
Stephen D. STROUPE Date

Phil 2/10/98